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**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Masatoshi NAKATSU et al.

Group Art Unit: 3611

Application No.: 10/619,080

Examiner: D. Depumpo

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Docket No.: 116032

For: VEHICLE STEERING APPARATUS

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the July 22, 2004 Election of Species Requirement, Applicants provisionally elect Species I, Figs. 1-8. Applicants submit that claims 1-7, 10-12, 17 and 18 read on elected Species I. It is submitted at least claims 1-7, 10-12, 17 and 18 are generic to all species. This election is made with traverse. Also, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Specification;** and

**Remarks.**